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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Christie
4 E. (Thomas) Fischer of Zion, who passed away on February 23,
5 2026; and

6 WHEREAS, Christie Fischer, the daughter of Logan H. Thomas
7 Jr. and Jessie E. Thomas, was born in Indianapolis, Indiana on
8 September 5, 1959; she served as an electronic signals
9 intelligence analyst for the United States Army from 1981 to
10 1985, and she received the Army Achievement Medal, Oak Leaf
11 Cluster, and the Army Commendation Medal for her service; she
12 received a Juris Doctorate from Chicago-Kent College of Law in
13 2005 and a Bachelor of Arts in History from Barat College,
14 graduating magna cum laude in 2002; she married Christopher
15 James Fischer in Indianapolis on October 25, 1986; and

16 WHEREAS, Christie Fischer worked as a loss prevention
17 investigator for White Hen Pantry, Inc., a service
18 representative for the American Medical Association, and as an
19 associate instructor in Criminal Law and Legal Writing for
20 Westwood College; she served as a clinical instructor, a
21 research assistant, and a clinic intern for the Law Offices of
22 Chicago-Kent Richard Kling from 2003 to 2005; she then became
23 a staff attorney in the Expungement Unit for the Office of the

1 State Appellate Defender from 2005 to 2013 before working for
2 the Law Offices of Fischer and Associates from 2014 to 2026;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Christie Fischer served as an usher and volunteer
5 at Tempel Lipizzans; she was also involved with the Illinois
6 State Bar Association, the Association of Women Attorneys of
7 Lake County, the Lake County NAACP, the Lake County Coalition
8 to Reduce Recidivism, the Englewood Institute for Civil Rights
9 and Studies, the Black Law Student Association, the Student
10 Animal Defense League, the Chicago-Kent Chapter, the American
11 Civil Liberties Union, the United States Dressage Federation,
12 and the United Schutzhund Clubs of America; and

13 WHEREAS, Christie Fischer received many awards through her
14 community involvement and employment, including the Justinian
15 Award for Service from the Lake County Coalition to Reduce
16 Recidivism, a Certificate of Appreciation from the Rock Island
17 County NAACP, the St. Joseph the Worker Award from the
18 Evangelical Catholic Diocese of the Northwest, and the Service
19 Award from the Illinois House of Representatives; and

20 WHEREAS, Christie Fischer loved cooking, reading books,
21 watching movies, and caring for animals, especially dogs and
22 horses; and

1 WHEREAS, Christie Fischer was known for her wide ranging
2 sense of humor, her devotion to her friends and family, and her
3 determination to protect the defenseless; and

4 WHEREAS, Christie Fischer was preceded in death by her
5 parents and her mother-in-law, Mary Virginia Fischer; and

6 WHEREAS, Christie Fischer is survived by her husband,
7 Christopher, and her brother, Gregory L. (Sherma) Thomas;
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
10 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
11 we mourn the passing of Christie E. (Thomas) Fischer and
12 extend our sincere condolences to her family, friends, and all
13 who knew and loved her; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to the family of Christie Fischer as an expression
16 of our deepest sympathy.